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FM AMEMBASSY SUVA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5165

INFO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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SUBJ: FIJI PRIME MINISTER COMMENTS ON SOVIET ACTIVITIES

IN PACIFIC

1. IN PRESS CONFERENCE JULY 8, PRIME MINISTER OF FIJI RATU SIR KAMISESE MARA MADE FIRST PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RECENT SOVIET ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH PACIFIC.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION, PRIMIN SAID REPORTS THAT SOVIET MISSION WILL VISIT TONGA AND WESTERN SAMOA TO DISCUSS POSSIBILITIES OF TECHNICAL AID WERE "NEWS TO ME", AND THERE HAS BEEN NO RPT NO INDICATION MISSION ALSO WISHES TO VISIT FIJI. ASKED TO COMMENT ON REPORTS SOVIETS WERE WOOING WESTERN SAMOANS AND TONGANS IN ORDER GET FISHING FLEET FACILITIES, PRIMIN SAID HIS PERSONAL REACTION WOULD BE IMMEDIATELY BUILD AIRFIELDS ON FIJIAN ISLANDS NEAREST TONGA TO ENSURE SOVIETS

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ARE NOT FISHING IN FIJIAN WATERS. HE ADDED HE WOULD WANT TO

STUDY REPORTS VERY CAREFULLY. PRIMIN NOTED THAT SOVIET  
AMBASSADOR IN CANBERRA HAD DECLARED USSR DOES NOT NEED BASES  
IN INDIAN OCEAN BECAUSE IT COULD REPAIR ITS SHIPS IN  
VLADIVOSTOK, ADDING HE DID NOT SEE THEREFORE WHY PACIFIC  
FACILITIES WERE NEEDED. PRIMIN THOUGHT THAT QUESTION OF  
SOVIET RELATIONS WITH PACIFIC STATES COULD VERY WELL BE  
DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEETING OF SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM, TO BE HELD  
IN NAURU IN LATE JULY.  
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